

## July 4 ceremonies held at Maplewood cemetery

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Peter Suchman  
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Perhaps Kenneth Gritman would enjoy  
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Miss Brown  
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 following note  
 to Jeff Kahan,  
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Thanker again  
for participating  
in these  
ceremonies.

Robert H.  
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newspaper  
well"

# Opinion

# Pioneer Days

Next week's preparations will be made for Pioneer Days which will be held August 19, 20, 21 and 22, 1948. It is usually at this time when discussion around town centers on the food and the dress aspects of Pioneer Days. About half of the business people in Carbonade that we've talked to don't like the Pioneer Days because the celebration hurts their business. The reason is that people get into a mood for partying rather than shopping when the stores come into town at night when many of the local stores are closed.

cised. During the Pioneer Days fair, the city is bright as well as busy. Virtually nobody does any shopping during the parade. Stores along the main shopping streets lose thousands of dollars of sales when the parking lots are blocked off by the hordes of the parade.

On the brighter side, however, it is possible that the

the same businesses, it is possible that the same businesses that are hurt financially by Pioneer Days will recover sales at another time. For example, when people go to the concession stands at home, they buy fewer groceries and the food stores lose a sale. But many people have out-of-town guests who have come to enjoy the festivities and the joy they've gotten from hosts who've gone to great lengths to accommodate their

aspect: the "most valuable" service of the publicity we get is the positive feeling. Car-bondaleans get about themselves; Pioneer Days makes us feel important. It makes us feel like a part of the city, and that is a good thing.

Pioneer Days offers people a chance to get out and meet friends they haven't seen for a while. It gives them a chance to exhibit their talents (as in the many demonstrations by twirlers, dancers, and musicians), their wares (as in the case of those who sell their own products), and their skills (as in the case of the cooks who provide a wide assortment of delicious foods), and a part of history (such as the exhibits of collections and the lectures by local historians).

← *CHSM*

There are competitions such as the police pistol shooting, the 10 kilometer race, and the kids' crazy hat and bicycle contests. These events are fun and benefit the competitors whether they win or lose.

There are problems created by Pioneer Days, to be sure. The extra cost of police protection, the cost of cleanup, the traffic, and other inconveniences -- they all come with the celebration. But any worthwhile event has its shortcomings.

What's the best part of Pioneer Days? It's the fact that thousands of people from Carbondale and the surrounding area have a darned good time! They enjoy the great entertainment. They enjoy the food and games. They enjoy laughing and talking with friends. It's a change of pace that the vast majority of citizens like. There's a price to pay, but that's okay. It's worth it!

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drove to Scitanton from Elkdale & picked up 300 copies of the  
 CHS&M Newsletter (I, 5) at PDQ Printing on Mulberry. When  
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 with "Joe", who will print the Newsletter. I explained that  
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 job. I am very pleased. Thank you." Joe  
 grinned from ear to ear and basked in the public  
 praise. He put out his hand and we shook hands  
 and that was that.

I drove to downtown Scranton & deposited 4 large boxes of old college textbooks (many that I used at Penn State) at a place near the Courthouse called, I believe, Mostly Books (343-2075); someone <sup>named Joanna</sup> will look at the books & make an offer. Excellent -- I no longer need these books. \$20 would be OK / just fine with me. In verso. I am to call on Thursday.

Promote Carbide & arranged an envelope stuffing / feeding & stamping session at the BOC — Joe Pascoe, Hank Coftin, James Yegon, DWP + SRP. In 2 1/2 hours we had the job all completed — the job: preparing for mailing — I, 5 of the CHS + M Newsletter.

- 229 copies (165 Carbonal; 38 mixed PA; 26 out of state)
- the members + the people who donated to the County Fair authority were the recipients.

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